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Mrs. Hollister K. Petraeus Assistant Director Consumer Financial Protection Bureau 1700 G Street NW Washington, DC, 20552

Dear Mrs. Petraeus,

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation requests your testimony at a hearing titled, "Soldiers as Consumers: Predatory and Unfair Business Practices Harming the Military Community" on Wednesday, November 20 at 2:30 pm in Room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. As Chairman of the Committee, I will preside.

The hearing will examine predatory lending practices that target or affect military servicemembers and aggressive debt collection practices servicemembers may face when loans come due. Please focus your testimony on areas within your expertise, and be prepared to testify about previous and ongoing actions your office has undertaken to protect the servicemember population.

Please submit your written testimony to the Committee two business days prior to the hearing. While your full statement will be made part of the hearing record, I ask that you limit your oral remarks to five minutes, highlighting or summarizing the most important points. Attached to this letter are more detailed instructions for Committee witnesses.

The Committee is conducting this hearing under the authority of Senate Rules XXV and XXVI. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Epperson of the Committee staff at 202-224-1300.

Chairman

## Enclosure

Cc: John Thune

Ranking Member